## STATE OF ILLINOIS SECRETARY OF STATE SECURITIES DEPARTMENT

IN THE MATTER OF: TR & B CORPORATION, TOUCH OF SOUL, LLC and TOMMIE E. RODGERS

Case No. C0900196

## ORDER OF PROHIBITION

TO RESPONDENT:

Tommie E. Rodgers 1240 Park Avenue #316 Highland Park, Illinois 60065

TR & B Corporation Attn: Tommie E. Rodgers 1240 Park Avenue, Apt. 316 Highland Park, Illinois 60065

Touch of Soul LLC Attn: Tommie E. Rodgers 1240 Park Avenue, Apt. 316

Highland Park, Illinois 60065

WHEREAS, a Temporary Order of Prohibition was issued by the Secretary of State on June 12, 2009 temporarily prohibiting Respondents from offering or selling securities in the State of Illinois until further order of the Secretary of State.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 11.F of the Illinois Securities Law of 1953 [815 ILCS 5] (the "Act"), the failure to request a hearing within thirty (30) calendar days of the entry of a Temporary Order shall constitute an admission of any facts alleged therein and constitute a sufficient basis to make the Temporary Order final.

WHEREAS, Respondents have failed to request a hearing on the matters contained in the said Temporary Order within thirty (30) calendar days of the entry of said Temporary Order and Respondents are hereby deemed to have admitted the facts alleged in the said Temporary Order.

WHEREAS, the Secretary of State, by and through his duty authorized representatives, has adopted the Findings of Fact contained in the said Temporary Order as the Secretary of State's Final Findings of Fact as follows:

- 1. That Tommie E. Rodgers, ("Rodgers" or together with TR & B Corporation and/or Touch of Soul LLC, "Respondents") is an individual who last known address of 1240 Park Avenue #316, Highland Park, Illinois 60065.
- 2. That TR & B Corporation, ("TR & B" or together with Tommie E. Rodgers and/or Touch of Soul LLC, "Respondents") holds itself out as a business entity with the last known address of 1240 Park Avenue #316, Highland Park, Illinois 60065.
- 3. That Touch of Soul LLC, ("Touch of Soul", or together with Tommie E. Rodgers and/or J & W Financial Services, Incorporated, "Respondents") holds itself out as a business entity with the last known address of 1240 Park Avenue #316, Highland Park, Illinois 60065.
- 4. That on or about May 26, 2004, Respondent Rodgers offered at least one Illinois resident (Investor) an investment opportunity in Respondent Touch of Soul, in the form of stock in Respondent TR & B. Respondents told investor that Respondent TR & B would produce and market authentic African American cuisine under the brand "Touch of Soul".
- 5. That on or about May 26, 2004, in exchange for 2500 shares in Respondent TR & B, Investor gave to Respondent Rodgers a check for \$3,000.00, made payable to Respondent Rodgers.
- 6. That on or about June 15, 2004, Respondent Rodgers offered to Investor additional shares in Respondent Touch of Soul. In exchange for 3000 shares in Respondent TR & B, Investor gave to Respondent Rodgers a check for \$6,000.00, made payable to Respondent Rodgers.
- 7. That the activities set forth in paragraphs above constitute the offer and sale of stock, and therefore securities, as those terms are defined in Section 2.1, 2.5 and 2.5a of the Illinois Securities Law of 1953, 815 ILCS 5/1 et seq.
- 8. Section 12.A of the Illinois Securities Law of 1953, 815 ILCS 5/1 et seq., (the "Act") states that it shall be a violation of the provisions of this Act for any person to "offer or sell any security except in accordance with the provisions of this Act."
- 9. Section 5 of the Act provides, <u>inter alia</u>, that all securities except those exempt under Section 3 of the Act or those offered and sold in transactions exempt under Section 4 of the Act shall be registered with the Secretary of State prior to their offer or sale in the State of Illinois.

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- 10. Section 12.D of the Illinois Securities Law of 1953, 815 ILCS 5/1 et seq., states that it shall be a violation of the provisions of the Act for any person to "fail to file with the Secretary of State any application, report or document under the provisions of this Act or any rule or regulation made by the Secretary of State pursuant to this Act or to fail to comply with the terms of any order of the Secretary of State issued pursuant to Section 11 hereof.
- 11. Respondents failed to file an application for registration of the above-referenced securities with the Secretary of State and as a result, the securities were not registered pursuant to Section 5 of the Act prior to their offer and sale in the State of Illinois.
- 12. By virtue of the foregoing, Respondents violated Sections 12.A and 12.D of the Act.

WHEREAS, the Secretary of State, by and though his duly authorized representative, has adopted the Conclusions of Law contained in the said Temporary Order as the Secretary of State's final Conclusions of Law as follows:

- 1. That by virtue of the foregoing, the Respondents Respondents Tommie E. Rodgers, TR & B Corporation and Touch of Soul LLC have violated Sections 12.A, 12,C and 12.D of the Act; and
- 2. That by virtue of the foregoing, the Respondents Tommie E. Rodgers, TR & B Corporation and Touch of Soul LLC are subject, pursuant to Section 11.F of the Act, to an Order which permanently prohibits them from offering or selling securities in the State of Illinois.

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT: pursuant to the authority granted by Section 11.F of the Act, Respondents Tommie E. Rodgers, TR & B Corporation and Touch of Soul LLC are hereby prohibited from offering or selling securities in the State of Illinois until further order of the Secretary of State.

ENTERED: This 2nd \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_ September\_\_\_, 2010.

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NOTICE: Failure to comply with the terms of this Order shall be a violation of the Section 12.D of the Act. Any person or entity who fails to comply with the terms of this Order of the Secretary of State, having knowledge of the existence of the Order, shall be guilty of a Class 4 felony.

This is a final order subject to administrative review pursuant to the Administrative Review Law, [735 ILCS 5/3-101 et seq.] and the Rules and Regulations of the Illinois Securities Act, [14 III. Admin. Code Ch. I, Section 130.1123]. Any action for Judicial Review must be commenced within thirty-five (35) days from the date a copy of this Order is served upon the party seeking review.

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